

Table 32. Reasons for losing job among doctoral scientists and engineers who had lost or left a job in the past, by field of doctorate: 1997

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Reason for job loss	Field of doctorate							
	All fields	Computer and mathematical sciences	Biological and agricultural sciences	Health sciences	Physical and related sciences	Social sciences	Psychology	Engineering
Total that lost or left a job (number).....	71,600	3,300	14,800	2,100	16,600	8,600	12,300	13,900
	Percent							
Self-operated business ended.....	8	5	S	S	S	12	11	S
Company, facility or agency closed down.....	29	41	26	S	29	22	27	34
Company facility or agency moved.....	9	S	10	S	11	S	S	11
Work, services, company, or facility was reorganized.....	50	42	51	53	52	48	50	47
Work, services, company or facility was taken over.....	15	S	16	S	19	S	12	17
Work, services, company, or facility had insufficient business.....	41	48	34	S	40	45	42	48
Other reason.....	16	S	16	S	16	16	17	14

KEY: S = Suppressed due to too few cases (fewer than 1,000 weighted cases).

NOTES: Numbers are rounded to nearest hundred. Percents are rounded to the whole number. Details may not add to totals because of rounding and because multiple answers were allowed. Survey of Doctorate Recipients includes persons who had earned a research doctorate from an U.S. institution and resided in U.S. as of April 1997.

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